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DIELECTRIC LOADED ANTENNA APPARATUS WITH INCLINED RADIATION SURFACE AND ARRAY ANTENNA APPARATUS INCLUDING THE DIELECTRIC LOADED ANTENNA APPARATUS

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- b. [] a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,
- c. [X] the concise explanation (for references AJ and AO) are contained in the specification of the present application at pages 1-2,
- d. [X] the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstracts,
- e. [] the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
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